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ALLENDALE PLACE



1. PROPERTY INFORMATION

Subdivision: Allendale Place

City: Terre Haute

Streets: Allendale Terrace,
Allendale Lane



Disclaimer: The following historic district example has been determined eligible based on the registration requirements set out in the Multiple Property Document Form, Residential Planning and Development in Indiana, 1940-1973. These surveys are reconnaissance level. Boundaries are preliminary and may be revised upon receipt of additional information.

2. HOUSING STOCK

No. of Units: ~25

Construction Date(s): c. 1950-1960

Primary Styles/Forms: Ranch

Secondary Styles/Forms: mid-century modern, Colonial Revival

Stories: 1-2

Garages: Attached

Porches: Front stoops, partial-width

Common Original Material(s):

Wood windows; wood doors, brick veneer, stone veneer, wood siding

Common Alterations:

Replacement vinyl windows and siding, Additions

Other Details/Additional Narrative:

Houses in Allendale Place are primarily Ranch houses, some with Colonial Revival elements such as façade porch columns. Several also exhibit mid-century modern characteristics. Several Colonial Revival houses are also present. While most houses retain original windows and doors, some also exhibit vinyl siding, windows and doors.

3. DESIGN AND LAYOUT

Street Plan: Curvilinear

Associated Non-residential Elements:

Landscaping Features: Small wood signs denoting the name of the subdivision and street names are located near the entrance to the subdivision.

Lot Shape: Irregular

Setback: Not uniform

Curbs: None

Utilities: Rear yard

Street lights: None

Sidewalks: None

Other Details/Additional Narrative:

Allendale Place was established in a curvilinear pattern, with each street ending in a dead end. The streets are narrow, with no curbs or sidewalks. All of the large parcels are wooded and some exhibit post and rail fencing or concrete pylons along the road.

4. HISTORY/SIGNIFICANCE

Original Plat: c.1950

Addition(s):

Developer(s): --

Architect(s): --

Builder(s): --

Engineer(s):

Landscape Architect(s): --

Narrative:

Allendale Place is an example of a Custom Development with housing ranging from Neo-Traditional to Bedford stone-veneered lineal Ranch houses. Traits of the Custom Development type found in Allendale Place include: naturalistic, winding street pattern, great variation in size of lots, and “rural lane” feel with no curbs. Additionally, each owner individualized their own house and landscape plans. Potential criteria and areas of significance are A/community planning & development and C/architecture.

The district is a small residential neighborhood in a wooded area located just east of US 41 on the south side of Terre Haute. The greater Allendale area adjoins the Terre Haute Country Club to the east. The Allendale area in general became a suburban retreat for Terre Haute’s wealthy as early as the 19-teens. The area is adjacent to Terre Haute Country Club (1898), which includes a golf course. Fred B. Smith, owner of Indiana Distilling Company, established a sprawling estate in Allendale in the first decades of the 1900s. Its main house was Prairie Style and Jens Jensen designed the estate grounds (house has been demolished). Other entrepreneurs also built here, including Chapman Root, owner of a glass company and famed creator of the iconic Coca-Cola bottle design. His estate, Rocky Edge, still stands nearby. It is not unexpected that developers would be attracted to the natural beauty of the area, including Honey Creek, and rolling, wooded lands. Allendale Place is one of Terre Haute’s best representations of the suburbanization of Terre Haute in the post-war years. Unlike the pre-Depression, exclusive trend in Allendale as a whole, Allendale Place is aimed more at the prosperous post-war middle class. Housing size ranges from moderate to large. The circulation system forms two prongs that wind through the site. The rural-like lanes have no sidewalks or curbs and lots are highly irregular. The mature hardwood trees appear to have been planted to line several main sections of the lanes. The housing and layout have survived largely intact and typify the post-war development of the Allendale area as a whole, which remained unincorporated from Terre Haute until recent decades.

5. PHOTO KEY AND ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS





Photo 1: Streetscape view of Allendale Lane, facing northeast



Photo 2: View of 98 Allendale Lane, facing northwest



Photo 3: Streetscape view of Allendale Terrace, facing west



Photo 4: View of 115 Allendale Terrace, facing southwest



Photo 5: Streetscape view of Allendale Lane, facing west



Photo 6: View of 109 Allendale Lane, facing south